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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINT, U.K. (N.I.)  
SUBJECT: ONE DETAINEE SHOT DEAD IN MAZE BREAKOUT

1. UNKNOWN NUMBER OF IRISH REPUBLICAN DETAINEES MOUNTED SUCCESSFUL ESCAPE THROUGH TUNNEL FROM LONG KESH MAZE PRISON SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT NOVEMBER 6. ONE ESCAPEE KILLED BY BRITISH ARMY WHEN SOME SEVEN PRISONERS DISCOVERED ATTEMPTING PASS ARMY OUTPOST SOME DISTANCE BEYOND CAMP PERIMETER. OTHERS SURRENDERED. ANOTHER GROUP APPREHENDED FOUR MILES AWAY. IT BELIEVED AT LEAST THREE ESCAPEES STILL LOOSE AS HEAD COUNT CONTINUES UNDER DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES INSIDE CAMP.

2. REPUBLICAN DETAINEES REMAINING INSIDE RUSHED GATES IN WHAT BELIEVED BE MASS ESCAPE BID. THESE TURNED BACK BY TROOPS CALLED BY PRISON GOVERNOR BY USE RUBBER BULLETS AND C.S. RPT C.S. GAS.

3. BREAKOUT FOLLOWED DAY LOCAL CONCENTRATION ON CONDITIONS LONG KESH. ALMOST ONE HUNDRED WOMEN AND CHILDREN DEPENDENTS LOYALIST PRISONERS OCCUPIED BELFAST BBC FACILITY SOME EIGHTEEN HOURS AND REPRESENTATIVES POLITICAL PARTIES MADE INSPECTION  
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VISIT PRISON. TROUBLES OF SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC AND LABOUR PARTY

(SDLP) CONTINUED AS REPUBLICAN INMATES REFUSED RECEIVE SDLP  
DELEGATION. IRA "COMMANDING OFFICER" DAVID MORELY CONVEYED  
SNUB CITING AS ONE REASON FAILURE PARTY LEADER MP GERRY FITT  
EVER TO VISIT CAMP.  
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